

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 3 - 20 are presently pending. In the above-identified Office Action, the Examiner rejected Claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Chen *et al.* (6,243,498). In addition, the Examiner allowed Claims 3 - 20.

In the Response to Arguments, the Examiner indicated that the prior art teaches multiplication by either 0 or 1 as that phrase is used in Claim 1 as previously amended.

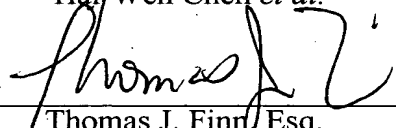
Accordingly, by this Amendment, Applicants have replaced the '0 or 1' language with the "noise reducing constant" language indicated in the previous office action as being allowable as Claim 2.

Accordingly, Claim 1 should be allowable along with Claims 3 - 20.

Reconsideration, allowance and passage to issue are therefore respectfully requested.

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